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Mr. Alan I. Roberts  
President  
Dangerous Goods Advisory Council  
1100 H Street, N.W., Suite 740  
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Roberts:

This acknowledges our receipt of your August 26, 2004 letter requesting an amendment of 49 CFR 171.8 to add a definition for "Single port area (to include contiguous harbors)," and to revise §§ 171.12(c) and 176.5 to accommodate differing hazardous materials descriptions and placarding requirements under the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code and the Hazardous Materials Regulations within a single port area.

Your request has been assigned petition number, P-1443. This number is for tracking purposes only. Your request has not been assessed for merit. If accepted under 49 CFR 106.95 as a petition for rulemaking, it will be considered for a future rulemaking action.

If you write or call us regarding this request, please make reference to this number.

Sincerely,

Carolyn D. Drakeford, Program Assistant  
Office of Hazardous Materials Standards

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